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Cant** every Monday in
September 2012.



*Madonna and Child
Mosaic—
Trinity College Perth*

Trinity College Madonna and Child Mosaic

Madonna and Child Watch Over Junior School Students at Trinity College

The Trinity College Madonna and Child mosaic



In this photo from the launch L – R
Mr John Lamborn, Mr Mark Hackett,
Br Tony Kelly, Mr Ivan Banks, Ms Rita
Basilio, Br John Carrigg & Ms
Maureen Elphick

Buckley, Julie Masara, Stacey Kannis, Morena Austen, Mirna Iaconi, Kim Rees and Georgie Marissen. The project was coordinated by Art Specialist Ms Rita Basilio.

The mosaic is a contemporary interpretation of the Madonna and Child image, taken from Irish artist Desmond Kyne's icon of Blessed Edmund Rice. Kyne's Madonna and Child was based on the 14th Century Byzantine icon of *Mother of Perpetual Succour* [help] and communicates the story of Mary as the Mother of God with very special powers of intercession and presence. The Icon proclaims the message that Mary, able to comfort Christ in His sufferings, is able to comfort us in ours. Edmund Rice had a strong devotion to Mary. In fact, Our Lady of Perpetual Help became the patroness of the Christian Brothers after the survival of a difficult period in their early years by installing her icon in all Edmund Rice Schools and praying for intercession and protection. In the Irish tradition, Edmund Rice referred to Mary as "Muire Máthair Dé". ("Muire" is the name used in Irish to uniquely refer to Mary, Mother of God). The mosaic reflects the significance of Mary as the loving Mother of Jesus, and as his first disciple, leads us towards God's love. It also beautifully reminds us of the union of Mother and Child as a symbol of love and family.

was recently completed by artist in residence Maureen Elphick. Maureen is a talented mosaic artist who has produced an artwork of exceptional quality to be displayed in the Junior School area. John Lamborn's Junior School art classes (Years 4, 5 & 6) have contributed to the mosaic, along with parent helpers Rita Rocca, Clare Down, Serena Duncan, Lorna

Maureen has stated

'I am very happy with the final result as I feel I was able to capture both serenity and joy, two important aspects of Christian love. I am also very pleased that the image will be placed in the primary area as this is where you grow young men. The beautiful image of the Madonna and child will, I hope leave an indelible mark on each young man so that when they leave Trinity and become grown men they will recognise, seek out and create that same love in their own lives'.

On Friday, 8 June a special unveiling ceremony was held in the Junior School courtyard where the mosaic has been installed as a backdrop for Junior School assemblies. In this area the beautiful mosaic can be viewed and appreciated by Junior (and secondary students), parents and members of the local community. Involved in the launch ceremony were Mr Banks, Br Tony Kelly, Br John Carrigg, Mr Mark Hackett, Ms Rita Basilio, Mr John Lamborn and Mr Leo Murray. Mosaic Artist Maureen Elphick attended with her family and representatives of the College Auxilia-



L-R: Rita Rocca, Mirna Iaconi, Clare Down,
Maureen Elphick (the artist) & Zena Axon

ry were also among the invited guests. After the unveiling parents and special guests enjoyed an Afternoon Tea in the Junior School Library.

The Madonna and child mosaic will protect and nurture many generation of Trinity Junior School students.

*Ms Sandra Doick
Director Community Relations*

PROFILE: BR PAT KELLY CFC.— CLUSTER LEADER WA



Br Pat Kelly: Cluster Leader Western Australia

working on the NWR (North West Railway) for four generations since the very early 1800's. He grew up in what's well known as the troubled north of Pakistan, Rawalpindi, Quetta and Lahore. He went to school at Christian Brothers St Edwards Simla in the Himalayas but had his education severely hampered by the Partition in 1947 when he was then in Grade 4. Because his Dad, Austin Kelly was stationed in remote parts of North West Pakistan he remained in Grade 4 for 1947, 1948, 1949 and 1950! When he came to Perth Australia in February 1950, and that's another story which had a lot to do with the



then "White Australia Policy", he went into Grade 6 at CBC St George's Terrace (which later moved to Trinity College.) At 17, when he decided to join The Christian Brothers, he moved to Sydney to finish Years 11 and 12. He did his three years of Teacher training as a Brother in Melbourne. He taught in inner city suburb Brunswick for seven years before moving to Country Victoria where he taught for two years in Geelong followed by two years in Ballarat. After being away from his family for 16 years he returned to WA in 1970 and taught in St Edmunds Collie for three years. 1973 saw him appointed to his first of three Principalships at Xavier College East Victoria Park; a term of six years. After three years at Aquinas College he commenced a lengthy 10 year period as Principal of CBC Fremantle.

Having red hair, fair complexion and a name like Patrick Kelly most immediately connect him with Ireland. In fact he was born in Lahore when it was part of British India but which became part of Pakistan after the Partition in August 1947.

He was part of the Kelly family who had been

This was followed by two years of Sabbatical and Personal Development studies during which time he completed two Masters Degrees before once again returning to a country school as Principal of John Paul College Kalgoorlie.

In 2000, after he had spent 22 years as Principal in three Colleges he was appointed to the Christian Brothers Leadership Team for WA and SA for the next eight years.

Since 2007 he has been the Cluster Leader for the Christian Brothers in WA. Apart from his professional life as a student and teacher, Principal and Administrator he has always been a keen sportsman in practically all sports which normally comprise part of the Curriculum in most Colleges. As a school boy he represented WA in the Australian U/16 Hockey Championships which WA won. He became involved with East Fremantle Football Club when he was one of their statisticians. In 1987, the inaugural year of the West Coast Eagles he was one of their team of Statisticians.

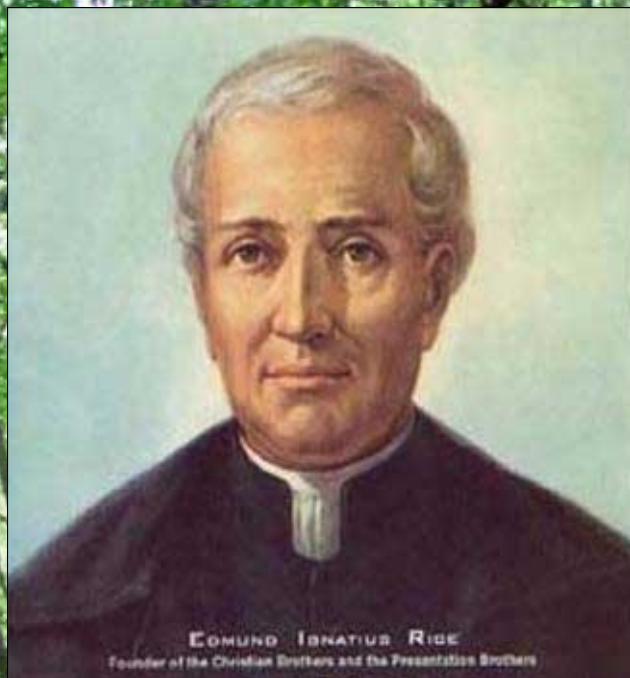
He still follows most sports, has been a keen Fremantle Docker supporter for the past 18 years and Patron for the Old Aquinas Hockey Club since 2000. Sport doesn't take up all his spare time and he finds himself actively involved in most of the many Christian Brothers Ministries, usually as a member of their Boards. For nine years he was a member of the Catholic Education

Commission and he regards himself as being extremely fortunate to have been invited by the Catholic Education Office to be a member of their group which travelled to Rome in 2010 for the Canonisation of Mary of the Cross, Mary MacKillop.

He realises that the time is approaching when he should hang-up his boots, but for the time being, besides being Cluster Leader he's on two School Boards, three Old Boys' Committees and numerous Committees for Religious Congregations in WA and Australia.



Br Pat windsurfing on Lake King of the West, Kalgoorlie



THE EDMUND RICE TRAIL

**ALL ARE WELCOME
TO**

A SERIES OF CONVERSATIONS

written by Br Peter Hardiman

**SHOWCASING THE TALENTS OF OUR
EDMUND RICE NETWORK WA**

CLONTARF ABORIGINAL COLLEGE
on: **SUNDAY 12 AUG 2012**
time: **2 pm-5pm**

DRINKS & NIBBLES PROVIDED
RSVP: JULY 31ST 2012
Contact: jcparker@edmundrice.org



ERN IMMERSION REFLECTION & STORYTELLING EVENING



Showcasing

**Edmund Rice Camps WA East African Immersion
&
Trinity College Indian Pilgrimage**

*Come and share in an evening of reflection and storytelling
with young adults from ERCWA & students from Trinity College as they
recount their experiences of immersion and
human connection in Kenya, Tanzania & India*

When: Tuesday 7th August 5.30pm-7.30pm

Where: Trinity College Staff Room

RSVP: Email or call Mel at meverley@edmundrice.org or 0438118504 by Friday 27th July

**Edmund Rice Network WA
Spirituality Group
Presents**

A SERIES OF CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER EVENINGS

**EVERY MONDAY IN SEPTEMBER 2012
7.30 pm**

**At: WESTCOURT SUPPORT CENTRE
53 REDMOND ST SALTER POINT**

Contact jeparker@edmundrice.org

**Come to all sessions
or when you can**

*Thank you
to everyone who
sent information
in for this issue.
Please keep the
news coming in
for the next issue.*

*Blessings,
Jill*

The position of Edmund Rice Networking Co-ordinator is to aid the Oceania Networking and Communication team in maintaining contact with individuals associated with the Christian Brothers and the Edmund Rice Network in Western Australia; to keep them informed and to encourage participation in future endeavours of the Christian Brothers Oceania and associated entities. I can be contacted on mobile phone **0414 629 218** or as below.

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